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1. The applicant has elected Group I, corresponding to claims 27-28 without traverse. The communication filed on January 23, 2003, is non-responsive to the prior Office action because it fails to comply with the Election/Restriction requirement under 35 U.S.C. 121 which requires the election of a single Group even

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though this requirement is traversed. Specifically, elected claims 27-28 are incomplete as they depend on canceled claims 15 and 21 respectively. It is suggested to submit a new set of elected claims clearly reciting all the limitations of previously deleted claimed 15 and 21. Since the response appears to be *bona fide*, but through an apparent oversight or inadvertence failed to provide a complete response, applicant is required to complete the response within a TIME LIMIT of ONE MONTH from the date of this letter or within the time remaining in the response period of the last Office action, whichever is longer. Applicant may elect to either extend the period for response set in the last office action up to a maximum of SIX MONTHS or to extend from this ONE MONTH limit under 37 CFR 1.136 (a) or (b) up to SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of this letter.

Conclusion

2. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Arun Chakrabarti, Ph.D. whose telephone number is (703) 306-5818.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gary Benzion, can be reached on (703) 308-1119.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application should be directed to the Group analyst Chantae Dessau whose telephone number is (703) 605-1237.

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